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Appl. No. 10/001,759
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Reply to Office Action of May 9, 2005

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Makoto Takemoto, et al.
Appl. No. : 10/001,759
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Examiner : Sujatha R. Sharma

Customer No. : 000,116
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Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT "B"

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated May 9, 2005 (Paper No. 20050427). The three-month period for responding to the Office Action expires on August 9, 2005. A check in the amount of \$400.00 is enclosed for the addition of two independent claims in excess of 3.

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date indicated below.

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August 9, 2005

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